

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

This Document contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States, within the meaning of Title 18, Sections 793 and 794, of the U.S. Code, as amended. Its transmission or revelation of its contents to or receipt by an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. The reproduction of this form is prohibited.

SECRET/CONTROL US OFFICIALS ONLY

SECURITY INFORMATION

50X1-HUM

COUNTRY	USSR (Arctic)	REPORT	
SUBJECT	1. Port of Mezen 2. Naval Activity in the Barents Sea	DATE DISTR.	27 November 1953 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
DATE OF INFO.		NO. OF PAGES	1 50X1-HUM
PLACE ACQUIRED		REQUIREMENT NO.	
		REFERENCES	

THE SOURCE EVALUATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE DEFINITIVE.  
THE APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.  
(FOR KEY SEE REVERSE)

3. In Mezen there was a towed floating crane with an estimated lifting capacity of 3 to 3.5 tons.
4. Several aircraft landed and took off from the airfield. They were slow, twin-engined aircraft which resembled Dakotas.
5. At N 69-50, E 34-00 [ ] firing was heard both from shore and from the sea to the north. The weather was clear but no ships could be seen. [ ] The firing consisted of single rounds from heavy artillery. Simultaneously jet aircraft were heard at a great altitude. They came from the north and headed in a southerly direction toward the land. 50X1-HUM  
50X1-HUM
6. Outside Svyatoy Nos there were five small naval vessels about ten nautical miles from shore, as well as a large submarine. [ ] the latter was sea-going since it was very long with an unusually high conning tower. It had no [ ] guns visible. The weather was hazy. 50X1-HUM  
50X1-HUM
7. At N 66-55, E 43-30 [ ] five small naval vessels and two merchant vessels, all painted gray. In the direction of Voronov Head one large tug with one lighter in tow was seen. [ ] observed a ship which [ ] was a cable boat; it had a large barrel on the afterdeck and was painted gray. [ ] observed four small naval vessels which entered Ponoy Inlet. On the rest of the trip past the Kola Peninsula no vessels were seen and no firing was heard. 50X1-HUM  
50X1-HUM

SECRET/CONTROL US OFFICIALS ONLY

STATE	X	ARMY	X	NAVY	#X	AIR	X	FBI		AEC						
-------	---	------	---	------	----	-----	---	-----	--	-----	--	--	--	--	--	--

(Note: Washington Distribution Indicated By "X"; Field Distribution By "#".)

**Page Denied**

JFAX 29

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

This Document contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States, within the meaning of Title 18, Sections 793 and 794, of the U.S. Code, as amended. Its transmission or revelation of its contents to or receipt by an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. The reproduction of this form is prohibited.

SECRET/CONTROL US OFFICIALS ONLY

SECURITY INFORMATION

50X1-HUM

COUNTRY	USSR (Arctic)	REPORT	
SUBJECT	Port of Arkhangelsk	DATE DISTR.	27 November 1953
DATE OF INFO.		NO. OF PAGES	1
PLACE ACQUIRED		REQUIREMENT NO.	50X1-HUM
		REFERENCES	50X1-HUM

THE SOURCE EVALUATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE DEFINITIVE.  
THE APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.  
(FOR KEY SEE REVERSE)

50X1-HUM

2. In the White Sea [ ] a few naval vessels at a great distance which [ ] thought to be mine sweepers. [ ] They each had one smokestack. [ ] 50X1-HUM
3. In Arkhangelsk itself [ ] only a few MTBs, but there were many Soviet merchant vessels in the harbor. At the naval dockyard there was a new Soviet icebreaker of about 1,500 tons, which [ ] was there for 50X1-HUM outfitting.
5. [ ] Sawmill No. 9-10 [ ] pier is wooden and about 600 feet long. [ ] the depth alongside to be 18 to 19 feet. [ ] no cranes or railroad tracks. [ ]
6. [ ] Sawmill No. 3 [ ] pier is about 800 feet long, wooden, and has a depth of about 20 to 22 feet alongside the pier. There were no cranes or railroad tracks. [ ] 50X1-HUM
7. There was constant traffic at the airfield, for the most part of slow-moving twin-engine transport aircraft of the Dakota type. [ ]

SECRET/CONTROL US OFFICIALS ONLY

STATE	X	ARMY	X	NAVY	#X	AIR	#X	FBI	AEC						
-------	---	------	---	------	----	-----	----	-----	-----	--	--	--	--	--	--

(Note: Washington Distribution Indicated By "X"; Field Distribution By "#".)

**Page Denied**